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SUBJ: SUGGESTION RE GSP

1. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT US IMPORT DATA BEING PREPARED FOR 1975 AND THAT BY MARCH 1, 1976 ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE MADE OF WHICH COUNTRY-PRODUCTS WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM GSP BY REASON OF PRODUCT'S HAVING EXCEEDED THE "COMPETITIVE NEED" CUT-OFF LIMIT. ASSUME THAT AT THAT TIME COMPUTER PRINT-OUTS WILL BE PREPARED AND DISTRIBUTED TO POSTS OF EACH BDC'S EXPORTS TO US IN 1975 OF ITEMS ON GSP LIST.

2. COMPUTER PRINT-OUT FOR 1974 FOR GUATEMALA SENT TO THIS MISSION HAS BEEN MOST HELPFUL IN FOCUSING ATTENTION AND ADVANCING RESEARCH ON HOW GUATEMALA MIGHT TAKE BEST ADVANTAGE OF GSP SYSTEM. EMBASSY WISHES TO SUGGEST THAT, WITH VERTAIN CHANGES IN THE COMPUTER PRINT-OUT FOR 1975, IT COULD BECOME EVEN MORE USEFUL IN IDENTIFYING PRODUCTS WHICH GUATEMALA MIGHT DEVELOP TO PRODUCE AND EXPORT TO

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US:

A. AS SUGGESTED BY THIS POST IN PAST, WOULD BE USEFUL TO HAVE NEXT TO FIGURE FOR VALUE OF TOTAL IMPORT OF A CERTAIN USTS ITEM INTO THE US FROM A GIVEN COUNTRY, THE VALUE OF TOTAL IMPORT OF THAT ITEM FROM I) ALL BDC'S AND II) FROM ALL OTHER COUNTRIES, IE, DEVELOPED COUNTRIES PLUS BDC'S EXCLUDED ON THE ITEM CONCERNED BY REASON OF "COMPETITIVE NEED".

B. FOCUS ON GSP LIST IN BDC'S TENDS TO EXCLUDE CONSIDERATION OF EXPORT PROMOTION ON MANY OTHER ITEMS ON THE US TARIFF SCHEDULE WHICH ALREADY ENTER DUTY-FREE. EXPORT PROMOTION THERE MAY BE EQUALLY FEASIBLE AS EXPORT PROMOTION OF ITEMS ON GSP LIST. WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO ADD TO COMPUTER PRINT-OUT DATA RELATING TO GSP ITEMS, SIMILAR DATA RELATING TO ITEMS NOT ON GSP LIST WHICH ENTER DUTY-FREE?

3. RECAP INTERESTED IN ABOVE EXTENSION OF DATA ON COMPUTER PRINT-OUT, FOR ALL CA COUNTRIES AND PANAMA.
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